Promotion of Agricultural Assistants

50. Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture be plased to state :—

(*a*) the total number of Agricultural Assistants who have been promoted as Field Assistants according to the seniority list of 1958 finalised in the year 1966 ;

(*b*) whether the benefits of difference of pay (including increments since 1-1-1957) have been granted to some of them ;

(*c*) if so, to how many ?

Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) 65 [Agricultural Assistants of Grade III (Fieldmen) are promoted as Field Aasistants from the provisional list].

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 53.

Sri D. B. KALMANKAR.—May I know why the benefit of difference of pay was not granted to the remaining 12 persons ?

Sri B. RACHAIAH.—Some of the Field Assistants wanted to retain old scales of Bombay Government and they did not want to opt to the new pay scales. That is why these benefits could not be extended to them.

Destruction of Crops by Sub-Inspector of Police, Indi

55. Sri S. S. ARAKERI (Balloli).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Government is aware that the Sub-Inspector of Police, Indi town of Indi Taluk has destroyed the standing crops of Jowar and Wheat belonging to one Sri Shankarappa (Harijan) of Baragudi village during last week of Januaray, 1968 ;

(*b*) the name of truck and jeep with their register numbers used in destroying the said crops ;

(*c*) whether the said Sub-Inspector was aware of the injunction order issued by the Munsiff Court of Indi in favour of Shankarappa (Harijan) of Baragudi ;

(*d*) if so, is it not amounting to contempt of Court and what action has been taken by the Government against the Sub-Inspector of Police ;